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Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed on March 25, 2008, concerning the above-referenced patent application and setting a shortened three-month period for reply. Enclosed is a petition for extension of time to extend the period for reply by an additional month to Friday, July 25, 2008. Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this document.